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(1) Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement with Certification Under 37 C.F.R.

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Message: In furtherance of our telephone conversation earlier today during which you commented that your response to Applicants' After final Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 has not yet been mailed, Applicants are hereby filing, by facsimile, the attached Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (IDS). Early consideration of the attached Supplemental IDS is respectfully requested. Thank you.

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It is requested that the reference(s) listed on the attached Information Disclosure Citation Form PTO/SB/08A be considered by the Patent Examiner in connection with the above-identified application and be made of record therein.

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I hereby certify that the enclosed reference(s) were first cited in a Japanese Official Action (copy enclosed) dated November 19, 2002 from the Japanese Patent Office concerning counterpart Japanese Application No. 11-115101, not more than three months prior to the filing of this Statement.


Independent consideration and acknowledgment of the enclosed reference(s) are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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